

# NOTICE OF PRE-HEARING OPEN HOUSES AND CORRIDOR DESIGN PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THE MID-CURRITUCK BRIDGE PROJECT

STIP Project No. R-2576

Currituck & Dare Counties

The North Carolina Turnpike Authority will hold three Pre-Hearing Open Houses and three Corridor Design Public Hearings for the proposed Mid-Currituck Bridge project.

## Pre-Hearing Open Houses

Pre-Hearing Open House #1	Pre-Hearing Open House #2	Pre-Hearing Open House #3
May 18, 2010	May 19, 2010	May 20, 2010
3:30-6:30 PM	3:30-6:30 PM	3:30-6:30 PM
Ramada Plaza Nags Head Beach	Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education	Currituck County Center
1701 South Virginia Dare Trail	Currituck Heritage Park on NC 12	120 Community Way
Kill Devil Hills, NC	Corolla, NC	Barco, NC

## Public Hearings

Public Hearing #1	Public Hearing #2	Public Hearing #3
May 18, 2010	May 19, 2010	May 20, 2010
Start at 7:00 PM	Start at 7:00 PM	Start at 7:00 PM
Ramada Plaza Nags Head Beach	Outer Banks Center for Wildlife Education	Currituck County Center
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Turnpike Authority representatives will be available at the Pre-Hearing Open Houses to answer questions and receive comments concerning the Mid-Currituck Bridge. The open houses are informal and citizens are invited to drop in at anytime during the meeting. The same public hearing maps and project information will be presented at all open houses and hearings.

The Public Hearings will consist of an explanation of the purpose of and need for the project, project alternatives, design features, anticipated impacts, the state – federal relationship, and right of way and relocation requirements and procedures. The hearings will be open to those present for statements, questions, and/or comments. The presentation and comments will be recorded and a written transcript will be prepared. Anyone wishing to speak at the formal hearings may register to do so at the open houses, immediately prior to the formal hearings or by calling Ms. Pat Puryear at (919) 571-3000 or sending an email to [midcurrituck@ncturnpike.org](mailto:midcurrituck@ncturnpike.org). Speakers will be called in the order they registered. A three-minute time limit will be imposed for speaking in order to allow a fair opportunity for all those wishing to speak to do so. Additional spoken comments may be received after those who registered have finished their comments.

Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and its findings may be submitted to Jennifer Harris, Turnpike Authority, at 1578 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1578, phone (919) 571-3000, or email, [midcurrituck@ncturnpike.org](mailto:midcurrituck@ncturnpike.org). Citizens also may call the Project Hotline at (800) 961-5465 or Ms. Harris (919) 571-3000 if they have questions or desire additional information. Comments should be submitted by June 7, 2010 to receive full consideration.

The Turnpike Authority, a division of the North Carolina Department of Transportation, in coordination with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), proposes to construct a project known as the Mid-Currituck Bridge, a toll bridge extending from U.S. 158 on the Currituck County mainland to N.C. 12 on the Currituck County Outer Banks. Several alternatives are evaluated in a Draft EIS. The Turnpike Authority and FHWA have identified detailed study alternative MCB4 as the Recommended Alternative

based on a balance of cost and design considerations, impacts to the human and natural environments, and input received to date from agencies and the public.

Maps displaying the location and design of the project and copies of the Draft EIS, as well as associated technical reports and supplemental materials, are available for review on the project web site at: [http://ncturnpike.org/projects/Mid\\_Currituck](http://ncturnpike.org/projects/Mid_Currituck) and at the following locations:

- Currituck County Courthouse, Currituck, North Carolina
- Currituck County Public Library, Barco, North Carolina
- Corolla Public Library, Corolla, North Carolina
- Dare County Public Library, Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina
- Town of Duck Administrative Building, Duck, North Carolina
- Kitty Hawk Town Hall, Kitty Hawk, North Carolina
- North Carolina Department of Transportation Maintenance Yard Office, Maple, North Carolina
- Southern Shores Town Hall, Southern Shores, North Carolina

The Turnpike Authority will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in the meetings. Anyone requiring special services should contact the Turnpike Authority at (919) 571-3000 as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.